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**Letter from May F. Benton to John Muir, [ca. 1885] Oct 31.**

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Dear Mr. Muir:

We were wondering,  
my mother and I, whether you  
knew of my father's illness  
when your pleasant remembrance  
came for which we thank you  
very much. After a delightful  
Summer in the Hawaiian Islands  
on our return my father had  
a partial stroke of paralysis and  
has only just recovered sufficiently  
to walk about. He requires constant  
attendance and care. We hope  
you are all well and wish

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we might see you all summer  
Do you never visit Oakland  
now?

This leaf is from Africa - as  
if anything so cool and silvery  
could come from that land of  
sun and fire heat -

Have you no pictures of the  
little ones? How I wish I  
might see them -

With many thanks for your  
remembrance,

Mary F. Bentan -